

ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO
 Form 4
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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 YORK DOUGLAS W

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 ST MARY LAND & EXPLORATION CO [sm]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 1776 LINCOLN ST, STE 700
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 05/17/2005

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Exec VP & COO

DENVER, CO 80202

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005		M	19,636 A	\$ 6.1875 32,132	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005		M	12,672 A	\$ 4.625 44,804	D	
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005		M	2,836 A	\$ 8.75 47,640	D	

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Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005	S	<u>19,636</u> (1)	D	\$ 24	28,004	D
Common Stock \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005	S	<u>12,672</u> (2)	D	\$ 24	15,332	D
Common Stock; \$.01 Par Value	05/17/2005	S	<u>2,836</u> (3)	D	\$ 24	12,496	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Amount or Number of Shares	
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 6.1875	05/17/2005		M	19,363	12/31/1999	12/31/2009	Common Stock	19,363
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 4.625	05/17/2005		M	12,672	12/31/1998	12/31/2008	Common Stock	12,672
Stock Option (Right-to-Buy)	\$ 8.75	05/17/2005		M	2,836	12/31/1997	12/31/2007	Common Stock	2,836

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
YORK DOUGLAS W 1776 LINCOLN ST STE 700			Exec VP & COO	

DENVER, CO 80202

Signatures

Brenda L Schohn (
Attorney-In-Fact)

05/18/2005

 **Signature of Reporting Person

 Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. *See* 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

(1) The sales reported in this Form 4 were affected pursuant to a Rule 10b-1 sales plan adopted by the reporting person on May 16,2005.

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